



Newsletter

Key Dates



- 03.12.24 – Rec Stay and Play
- 04.12.24 – Christmas Dinner
- 06.12.24 – MIND Elf Run
- 10.12.24 – Nursery Stay and Play
- 11.12.24 – Y3/4 Carol Service
- 12.12.24 – Y5/6 Carol Service
- 16.12.24 – Jumpers from today
- 18.12.24 – SHINE Assembly – 2.15pm
- 20.12.24 – Break up
- 07.01.25 – Return to school
- 13.01.25 – Nur, Rec & Y1 Maths Parent Session – info to follow
- 21.02.25 – Break up for half term
- 03.03.25 – Return to school

The weeks are flying by and we find ourselves at the end of November. School continues to be busy, with the festivities building up towards Christmas. Please make a note of the dates to the left, so you don't miss out!

Attendance

Please ensure that you only take your children out of school if absolutely necessary. At the moment, our whole school attendance is **95.1%**. Up to 26th November, we have lost **2,190 days** to absence, this includes holidays and illnesses.



Reminders

Please can I remind you about our expectations regarding school uniform and drinks in school. Children should be in **full uniform**. Uniform consists of black or grey trousers, skirt or pinafore, a white polo shirt or shirt, a ROYAL blue jumper or cardigan and plain black shoes. There should be no logos/white soles etc. Children should not have bright coloured hair accessories; these should be school colours. Nail varnish and make-up should not be worn. Under no circumstances should children



have drinks such as PRIME. Children should only have water, unless agreed otherwise agreed with school.

Christmas Parties

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
16 th Dec - PM 17 th Dec - AM	17 th Dec- afternoon	17 th Dec- afternoon	16 th Dec- afternoon	12 th Dec - afternoon	19 th Dec- afternoon	13 th Dec- afternoon	19 th Dec- afternoon

Keeping Safe Online

As we build up to the festive season, we know it might be the first time that your child might have used an electronic device before. It may even be their first time using the internet. With that in mind, please find below some useful links to websites/organisations which have put together support and advice about navigating online safety at this busy time of the year.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/childrens-online-safety-this-festive-season/>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/top-tips-for-staying-safe-online-at-christmas>

<https://www.getsafeonline.org/safechristmas/>



End of term

As we approach the end of the term, I wanted to remind you that we will be sharing your child's termly report with you. Reports will be coming home on Wednesday 18th December. This will have a summary of their progress and attainment as well as targets for reading, writing and maths.

OPAL

Our OPAL progress continues, we have opened up the planters on the KS1 playground to be used under supervision. If you have any children's gardening tools that are not needed, we will gladly take these off you.



CHRISTMAS Raffle

As has been shared previously, we are having a Christmas raffle in aid of OPAL. Each year group has a different letter of the word Christmas and they are on the lookout for items to create a hamper of goodies. If you want to buy tickets, they are available on the Gateway App. Donations due by 6th Dec.

Funds for School

I just wanted to remind you of the Asda Rewards app and the money that this can generate, all you need to do is scan as you spend, currently our cash pot is £317.96. Also, for those in Strikes over the next few weeks, don't forget to ask for their Gardens for Schools vouchers, we are so close to our first £100 back.



Thank you from all of us at The Avenue for your ongoing support!